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DATE: March 13, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: FW: California Firm Recalls Poultry Products Imported From an Unapproved Source

Suggested Action: **CLASS II RECALL; Poultry Products Imported From an Unapproved Source; Recommend notification to establishments that may carry these products via phone, fax or e-mail.**

From the information provided by USDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the State of Indiana. The chicken drink products were distributed to retail establishments nationwide. Please notify this office at 317-233-7360 if any recalled product is found.

California Firm Recalls Poultry Products Imported From an Unapproved Source

Recall Release **CLASS II RECALL**
FSIS-RC-009-2009 **HEALTH RISK:**
LOW

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WASHINGTON, March 12, 2009 - Khong Guan Corporation, a Union City, Calif., establishment, is recalling approximately 2,858 pounds of chicken drink products that were ineligible for import to the U.S., the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

FSIS is recalling these products because the chicken drink products do not meet poultry products inspection or poultry exemption requirements. Specifically, it could not be determined that the poultry ingredients used in the chicken drink products were prepared under inspection as required by federal regulations or under a foreign inspection system determined to be equivalent by FSIS. The poultry ingredient is determined to be ineligible when the source of the ingredients cannot be determined.

The problem was discovered after FSIS identified a shipment of products containing poultry which

were imported from an unapproved source. The chicken drink products were distributed to retail establishments nationwide. FSIS has received no reports of illness as a result of consuming this product.

The products subject to recall include: [\[View Labels\]](#)

- Packages containing six 2.3-fluid ounce-bottles of "BRAND'S Essence of Chicken Drink"
- Packages containing six 2.3-fluid ounce-bottles of "BRAND'S Essence of Chicken Drink, with Cordyceps Extract"
- Packages containing six 2.3-fluid ounce-bottles of "BRAND'S Essence of Chicken Drink, with 4 Herbs"
- Packages containing six 2.3-fluid ounce-bottles of "BRAND'S Essence of Chicken Drink, with Lingzhi"
- Packages containing six 2.3-fluid ounce-bottles of "BRAND'S Essence of Chicken Drink, with Ginseng"

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact company Marketing Manager, Deborah Heng, at (510) 487-7800 ext. 105.

FSIS works with other federal agencies to ensure the safety of imported meat, poultry and processed egg products. The [Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#) issues import permits based on animal health considerations, specific to a country or region. Customs and Border Protection provides oversight of all products entering the United States.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at [AskKaren.gov](#). The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.



USDA Recall Classifications	
Class I	This is a health hazard situation where there is a reasonable probability that the use of the product will cause serious, adverse health consequences or death.
Class II	This is a health hazard situation where there is a remote probability of adverse health consequences from the use of the product.
Class	This is a situation where the use of

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the product will not cause adverse
health consequences